

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences**

In re Patent Application of  
WEST et al.

Serial No. 10/535,493

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**Attn: Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences**  
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**Re Appeal No. 2009-009371**

Sir:

**REQUEST TO RESCHEDULE ORAL HEARING**

In response to the Notice of Hearing mailed November 19, 2009, Appellant's undersigned representative respectfully requests that the Oral Hearing in Appeal No. 2009-009371 scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2010, be rescheduled.

Upon receipt of the "Notice of Hearing," Appellant's undersigned representative checked his calendar and the undersigned will be on a flight returning to Washington, D.C. from Egypt on January 12, 2010. This flight was previously scheduled and confirmation of the travel arrangements was received prior to the mailing of the Notice of Hearing.

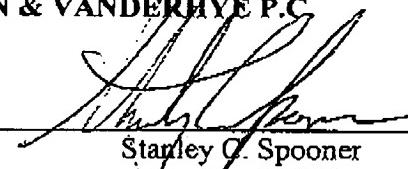
If possible, the rescheduled date for the Oral Hearing could be a day or two later if that is convenient to the Board. It also would be appreciated if this appeal could be coordinated with the appeal in the co-pending case (Appeal No. 2009-007560; Application No. 10/577,938) such that both hearings could be attended on the same day (as they are both currently scheduled for the same day).

Pursuant to the Clerk's instructions, Appellant encloses herewith the Notice of Hearing form signed and dated, but without checking "hearing attendance confirmed" or "hearing attendance waived" since Appellant intends to attend the Oral Hearing when it is appropriately rescheduled. In the event that a telephone discussion with the Clerk will facilitate the PTO's rescheduling of the hearing, the Clerk is respectfully requested to contact Appellant's undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appeal No: 2009-009371  
Appellant: Colin J West, Michael A Taylor et al.  
Application No: 10/535,493  
Hearing Room: A  
Hearing Docket: A  
Hearing Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2010  
Hearing Time: 09:00 AM  
Location: Madison Building - East Wing  
600 Dulany Street, 9th Floor  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**NOTICE OF HEARING  
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Your attention is directed to 37 CFR § 41.47. The above identified appeal will be heard by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on the date indicated. Hearings will commence at the time set and as soon as the argument in one appeal is concluded, the succeeding appeal will be taken up. The time allowed for argument is twenty minutes unless additional time is requested and permitted before the argument is commenced. If there are any inquiries, please contact the Clerk of the Board at 571-272-9797.

The application involved in this appeal has been published. Accordingly, the hearing in this appeal is open to the public.

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Signature of Attorney/Agent/Appellant  
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